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WEATHER

Precipitation was quite general across the State but light in most areas. The northeast had amounts generally near a tenth of an inch. Precipitation fell in the form of snow with the heaviest amounts in the west. Hemingford reported .59 inch of moisture. Temperatures were cold, averaging about 8 degrees below normal.

GENERAL

Fall harvest across the State is rapidly coming to a close. Farmers are reportedly preparing machinery for winter storage following harvest, fencing off stalk fields for livestock use, and other winter preparation activities. Once again, nearly the entire week was suitable for fieldwork and many took advantage of this to continue their fall tillage operations.

Soil moisture supplies remained almost the same as last week. Since only minimal moisture was received across the State, both topsoil and subsoil moisture supplies are short in all counties reporting. A year ago, topsoil was 27% short and subsoil was 93% short.

CROPS

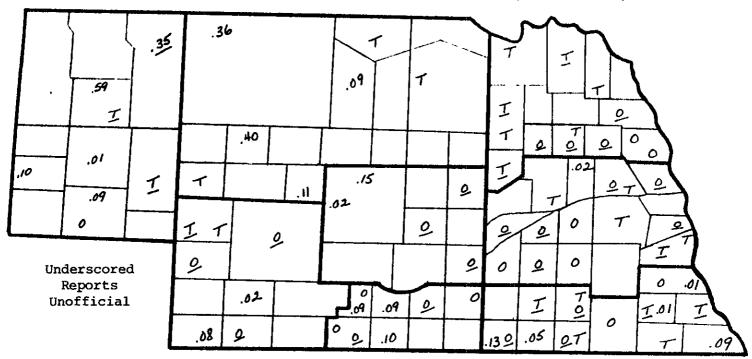
Winter wheat condition statewide deteriorated further this past week and is reported to be mostly fair. Conditions are dropping to near year ago levels in many areas. The good wheat is generally in the east and south central areas. Reports indicate some early planted wheat has made adequate growth, but most areas are in need of moisture. Moisture is needed to insure adequate plant growth before winter.

Corn harvest is nearly complete at this time across the State. This is ahead of the normal 90% completion and very near last year's 100%. All districts are now at least 95% completed with harvest.

LIVESTOCK

As more corn and milo fields are harvested and become available for gleaning, livestock continue to be moved onto these fields. Stalk fields already in use continue to provide good grazing. Some farmers and ranchers are stacking crop residues and, in some cases, have begun feeding it to livestock.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1976



TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 P.M. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1976

		Temperature				Precipitation
	Station	Extremes		Noon	Departure	W-1-1 7-1-1 /
		Маж	Min	Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
NW	Chadron	67	-11	23		.23
	Scottsbluff	65	-11	25	-8	.22
	Sidney					.10
NC	Burwell	68	-16	22		.08
	Valentine	65	-18	20	-11	.07
NE	Norfolk	64	- 6	25	- 7	.02
	Sioux City	61	-4	24	- 8	T
CEN	Grand Island	67	-11	26	- 8	.11
EC	Lincoln	63	-3	27	- 8	.01
	Omaha	65	-4	28	- 8	${f T}$
SW	Imperial	68	-8			
	North Platte	66	-13	25	- 8	.05

 $\underline{1}$ / Precipitation totals not included in map above.

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